GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
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MINI DAL MILLS
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Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government provides subsidy for setting up of mini dal mills in the country;

(b) if so, the criteria fixed in this regard;

(c) the details of the subsidy provided during 2007-08 to various mills in the country, State-wise; and

(d) the number of such mills set up in various States under the said subsidy scheme so far, State-wise and year-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (I/C) (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAI)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): As per 10th Plan Schemes of Ministry of Food Processing Industries Implementing agencies desirous of setting up mini pulse processing units are eligible to get assistance up to 50% of the total cost of the equipment (for setting up of mini pulse processing unit) subject to a maximum of Rs. 35,000/- per \unit. The assistance is routed through Central Food Technological Research Institute, (CFTRI) Mysore who would help in identifying the eligible beneficiaries.
(c): No grant was released during 2007-08 in the absence of suitable proposals.

(d): During 1999 to 2002, 100 Mini Dal Mills were established in various states under the above scheme:

Sl. No.	Name of the State	No.of Dal Mill established
1.	Bihar	4
2.	Punjab	1
3.	Madhya Pradesh	3
4.	Maharashtra	10
5.	Rajasthan	5
6.	Uttar Pradesh	59
7	Orissa	6
8.	Andhra Pradesh	5
9.	Karnataka	2
10.	Tamil Nadu	2
11.	West Bengal	1
12.	Manipur	2
Total		100

However in the 11th Plan Ministry of Food Processing Industries provides financial assistance in the form of grant in aid under the Scheme of Technology Upgradation/ Modernization/ Establishment of food processing industries including pulse processing units. Under this Scheme, the Ministry extends financial assistance to food processing units in the form of grant-in-aid @ 25% of the cost of Plant and Machinery and Technical Civil Works subject to maximum of Rs. 50.00 lakhs in general areas or 33.33% subject to maximum of Rs. 75.00 lakhs in difficult areas. In order to ensure speedy disbursement of the financial assistance, the Ministry has decentralized the disbursement procedure through banks under the Scheme of Technology Upgradation/ Modernization/ Establishment of food processing industries w.e.f. 01.04.07. Besides, under Mini Mission IV of Technology Mission of Integrated Development of Horticulture in North Eastern States, Sikkim, J&K, Uttarakhand and Himachal Pradesh, higher level of assistance @ 50% upto Rs. 4 crores for promotion of new units and upto

Rs. 1 crore for upgradation / modernization of units is available for processing of horticulture produce.